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SUBJECT: Reporting Fraud and Abuse		ADDENDA:

Purpose:

To establish a procedure for reporting fraud and abuse in the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Title I funding Services

Responsibility of:

All Staff, Contractors and Participants

Policy:

WIA regulations require that incidents of fraud, waste, abuse or other criminal activity be reported through the incident reporting process to the Department of Labor, Office of Inspector General. All staff and contracted service providers, in accordance with federal regulation shall include a system of internal controls which ensure resource use is consistent with laws, regulations and policies; are safe guarded against waste, loss and gross mismanagement of funds; are alerted to potential of fraud. Abuse and/or criminal acts in the WIA programs occur through conflicts of interest (including nepotism), falsification of records or reports and misappropriation of funds or other assets; and lastly, be aware of obligation to report such activities.

Procedures:

Information and complaints involving criminal fraud, waste, abuse or other criminal activity by a local workforce investment area (LWIA) or staff must be reported immediately. Reports are made through the Department's Incident Reporting System to the DOL Office of Inspector General, Office of Investigations, Room S5514, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20210, or to the corresponding Regional Inspector General for Investigations, with a copy simultaneously provided to the Arizona State Attorney General's Office.

The OIG/DOL Hotline number is 1-800-347-3756. Fax notifications may be made to 202.693.5210.

All grantees/contractors staff or employees with allegations of fraud, waste, or abuse, should be advised to contact OIG directly, particularly if they want to protect their anonymity. The U.S. Department of labor (DOL) and its divisions enforce laws that directly protect whistle blowers or have provisions to shield employees from retaliation, for reporting violations of the laws, refusing to engage in any action made unlawful by the laws, or participating in any proceedings under the laws.

Questions about or complaints alleging a violation of the nondiscrimination provisions of WIA section 188 may be directed or mailed to the Director, Civil Rights Center, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N4123, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20210, for processing.